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AGREEMENT BETWEEN INDIA AND CHINA
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the India and China have signed any agreement on military co-operation and military confidence building measures along the line of actual control;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the areas of military co-operation identified in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 572 FOR 5.5.2005

India and China have signed the following three agreements on military cooperation and military confidence building measures along the Line of Actual Control (LAC):-

(i) Agreement on Maintenance of Peace and Tranquility along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) on the India China Border Areas (September 7, 1993).

(ii) Agreement on Confidence Building Measures (CBMs) in the Military Field along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) on the India-China border areas (November 29, 1996).

(iii) Protocol on Implementation of Confidence Building Measures (CBMs) in Military Field along LAC on India - China Border Areas (April 11, 2005).
The following areas of military cooperation have been identified through the above agreements:

(a) To respect and observe the LAC.

(b) Prior notification of military exercises near LAC.

(c) Measures to prevent air intrusions across LAC.

(d) Management of `face off` situations in case border personnel of the two sides come in a face-to-face situations due to differences on the perception of location of LAC.

(e) Conduct of Border Personnel Meetings (BPMs) and Flag Meetings through mutual consultations.

(f) Conduct of exchanges between institutions of training of two armed forces and institutions of sports and culture of the two armed forces.

(g) Conduct of exchanges between relevant Military Regions of China and Army Commands of India.

(h) Prevention of dangerous military activities like opening fire, use of hazardous chemicals and conduct of blast operations within two kilometers from LAC.

(i) Assistance and return in case personnel of one side cross the LAC and enter into the other side because of unavoidable circumstances like natural disasters.

(j) Measures to prevent infectious diseases in border areas from spreading to the other side.